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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions including the listing of claims in the application.

Listing of claims:

- 1-41 (Cancelled)
- 42. (Amended) A method comprising:

when designing an analog and mixed signal integrated circuit operatable at both DC and AC frequencies, selecting one of a <u>libraryset</u> of <u>pre-defined</u> transmission line topologies for critical interconnect lines-capable of carrying high frequency signals.

43. (Amended) An integrated circuit design library comprising:

a set of transmission line topologies for critical interconnect lines capable of carrying DC and AC analog and mixed signals, which topologies comprise return paths therein; and

a set of parametrized, equivalent RLC ladder networks, one per topology.

- 44. (Amended) The method according to claim 42 and also comprising means for performing both frequency and time domain analysis for each transmission line placed into an integrated circuit design.
- 45. (New) The library according to claim 43 and wherein at least an inductance parameter of each said transmission line topology is a function of frequency
- 46. (New) The method according to claim 42 and wherein at least an inductance parameter of each transmission line topology is a function of frequency.
- 47. (New) The library according to claim 45 and wherein said frequency ranges from DC to a transistor cut-off frequency.
- 48. (New) The method according to claim 46 and wherein said frequency ranges from DC to a transistor cut-off frequency.